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SAMPLING METHOD

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| a | ittache | ed inventors' Declaration corresponds to Appl. No. 10/524,191 filed February 11, |
| 2 | 2005, e | entitled "SAMPLING METHOD" |
| | | English language specification, claims, and Abstract with () sheets of |
| | | drawings. |
| | | Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. |
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
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- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/11/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/11/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 02/11/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 02/11/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 02/11/2005
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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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